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11. (Amended) A file management method according to claim 1, comprising [the steps of]:

creating a directory for each package when said object is said package file;

recording on the basis of said directory a content file contained in the relevant package and a metadata file corresponding to that content;

managing with a package management file correspondence between a directory name of directory and a package identifier assigned to said package;

managing with a content file group management file correspondence between a file name when said content file and said metadata file are recorded on said recording medium and an identifier of said content and metadata; and

managing [with the metadata correspondence management file according to claim 1] correspondence between an identifier of a content file contained in said package and [an] a corresponding identifier of a metadata file, [corresponding thereto] using the metadata correspondence management file.

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managing with a package management file correspondence between a directory name of directory and a package identifier assigned to said package;

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managing with a content file group management file correspondence between a file name when said content file and said metadata file are recorded on said recording medium and an identifier of said content and metadata; and

managing correspondence between an identifier of a content file contained in said package and a corresponding identifier of a metadata file, using the metadata correspondence management file.

## **REMARKS**

By the above amendment, claim 11 has been amended to correct claim dependancy.

If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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